5396. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. * * * v. 66 Barrels * * * of Dressed Poultry. Consent decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 7927. I. S. No. 11046-m. S. No. C-613.)

On December 19, 1916, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 60 barrels of dressed poultry, 14 of said barrels containing dressed ducks, 13 containing dressed geese, and 33 containing dressed chickens, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Chicago, Ill., alleging that the article had been shipped on November 29, 1916, by J. Bellman, Yankton, S. D., and transported from the State of South Dakota into the State of Illinois, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in part of a decomposed animal substance; and for the further reason that it consisted in part of a putrid animal substance.

On January 20, 1917, the said J. Bellman, claimant, filed an answer admitting the allegations of the libel. On March 1, 1917, a decree of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.